Nursery Industry License/Certification Requirements

- Any place where nursery stock is produced or plant material is resold or redistributed must possess a valid Nursery Industry License for each sales location.
- Nurseries and related businesses are inspected annually for plant pests by state inspectors.
- Nursery stock shipped into
 Delaware must be accompanied
 by a current certificate of
 inspection from the state of
 origin; new nursery stock shipped
 out of Delaware must also be
 accompanied by a certificate of
 inspection issued by the Delaware
 Department of Agriculture.
- If any dangerously injurious plant pests are found in any nursery or at any place of business, sale of affected plant shipments will not be permitted until the infestation or infection has been controlled.



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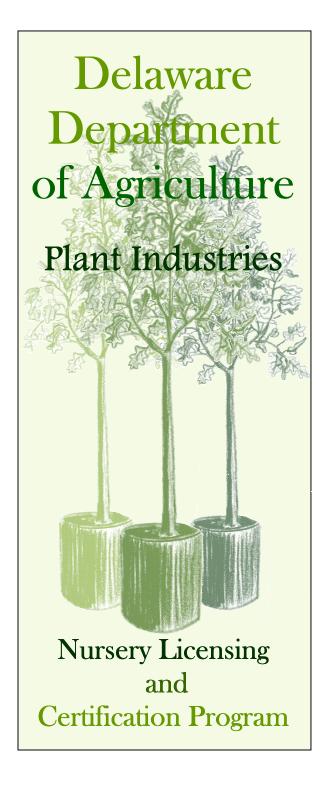
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What Defines Nursery Stock?

It is:

- Any plant for planting, propagation or ornamentation.
- Any plant, tree, shrub, vine, perennial, graft, cutting, and bud that may be sold for propagation.
- Cut Christmas trees, greens, pine ropes, and wreathes.
- Any non-hardy plant or plant part, such as annuals, bedding plants, vegetable plants, cut flowers, and floral greenery.



Who Should be Licensed?

- Aquatic plant propagators
- Brokers
- Chain Stores
- Commission Merchants
- Florists
- Garden Centers
- Greenhouses
- Growers
- Landscapers
- Mail-Order Merchants
- Nurseries
- Roadside Markets
- Tissue Culture



Benefits of Licensing and Certification:

- Allows you to legally sell/move nursery stock across state lines.
- Insures that your nursery stock sources are selling you certified, pest-free plant materials.
- Insures that you are kept current with changes in shipping requirements or restrictions.
- Informs you of any potential pest conditions while conducting annual inspections.

